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CHICAGO, June 4.—Almost persuaded that Theodore Roosevelt cannot be put over as Republican candidate for the presidency, his Progressive supporters made a sharp shift in policy to-day. They now propose to put a third ticket in the field, unless Charles E. Hughes will make a square-topped, pre-convention statement on preparedness and the international situation.

To-night the Hughes prospects are little advanced. Those of Roosevelt are plainly dwindling. The new aggressiveness of the Roosevelt men has not yet had any noticeable effect.

Here are the important developments to-day:

1. Colonel Roosevelt notified his followers over the telephone that he, for one, would not support Hughes, unless Hughes would declare himself definitely. The Colonel said that he had picked one gold brick, meaning William H. Taft, and he did not propose to pick another.

2. William Allen White, leader of the uncompromising Progressives, said: "We will take Hughes if he convicts us by a straight statement that he is not another Wilson. We are satisfied with his record, but we want to know what he is on preparedness and foreign policy. If he don't tell us we won't nominate him."

3. E. A. Van Valkenburgh, editor of the Philadelphia North American and a field marshal in the Progressive ranks, announced in his many words that unless Hughes comes across with an announcement acceptable to the Progressives, a third ticket will be named, with Roosevelt at the head of it.

4. Augustus Gardner, who is fighting for Roosevelt inside the convention, announced his horror at the lack of Roosevelt organization. He said that unless the Colonel comes to Chicago and takes charge, all is lost.

COLONEL'S FOLLOWERS PALE, BUT DETERMINED

This distracted activity of the Roosevelt people was the chief feature of the day's entertainment. To-morrow there will be an effort toward a formal conference with the Republican leaders in which these scattered utterances will be compressed into an ultimatum. The Colonel's followers are pale, but determined.

As for Root or any other reaction, they so pronounced are the Progressives in their opposition that one of them, Oscar Straus, will favor Progressive endorsement of Wilson if such a man is nominated.

The Hughes men will make a concerted effort to get together to-morrow. All day long politicians in the train of the Justice have been trying to check the disposition on the part of the amateurs to tie a can to Frank Hitchcock. Hitchcock it will be remembered, conveyed the impression that if Hughes is elected, he (Hitchcock) will be head pie-passer for the administration.

This raised a row, naturally. But the Hughes men can afford to have no row just now. They want all factions united.

Senator Fulton, head of the Oregon delegation which last night surrounded the assembly to the Hughes men, had a long talk with Hitchcock this afternoon. Governor Whitman, of New York, who came in in the afternoon, also conferred with him. To-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock the Oregonians will receive all Hughes men, who will come to talk over plans for increasing the present Hughes prospects.

It is hoped that by evening a real Hughes organization will be effected. Then the present fiction that the Justice is not a real candidate will be discarded. Headquarters will be opened, and his supporters will begin to send for delegates and seek to throw the halter over them.

Of the 855 delegates, about 500 are men in the field. Of these, 248 were counted for Hughes. If this count is correct, the Justice will make for the biggest showing on the first ballot, which now cannot come before Saturday. What a threat of a third ticket, the supporters of the Justice can keep him from the nomination, is something which every one here present in Chicago is now trying vainly to out.

MESSAGE SHOWS COLONEL HAS LINE ON DEVELOPMENTS

The telephone message from the Colonel came late last night. It was given to a conference attended by Walter Brown, of Ohio; George W. Perkins, of New York; Alexander Moore, of Pittsburgh; Horace S. Wilson, of Syracuse, and others of the Progressive leaders. The statements of William Allen White and E. A. Van Valkenburgh proved that the Colonel was as usual as a pretty good line on the sentiments of the men in his party. White is the man in the Progressive party who will compromise on nothing. He has tremendous influence in the Middle West, and he is not only himself, and will be a power in the convention.

There will be great difficulty in nominating Hughes if White does not back him. White's endorsement of a statement is highly significant. Sunday, closing laws in Chicago, strictly enforced elsewhere, were not operative against politicians. The fight in the lobby of the Congress, where the delegates stand with ears laid forward to catch the mandates of their bosses, overflowed to Michigan Avenue, and Presidents and Vice-presidents were nominated all day long.

Of the latter, the chief was Charles W. Fairbanks, of Indiana. Fairbanks came here with a big organization, ostensibly for the first-place nomination, but he will be content with second prize. And it is pretty certain that he will be the vice-presidential nominee, no matter who lands the big job.

Senator William E. Borah, of Idaho, will arrive from Washington to-morrow with a draft of a platform. Now that Root seems to be out of the running, the platform drafted by Henry Cabot Lodge and Nicholas Murray Butler will not meet the situation.

Borah, who has a very level head, has been asked to make or have another made, and this will doubtless go forth as the declaration of principles of the Republican party of 1916. It was a bitter blow to the men in control to have to modify the platform or to have to give up Root as their candidate. With their grip on the convention, Root could be nominated. It is the first time they could have nominated him. But now they have the time, the place and the man, they have not the courage. Root will not be nominated, because the leaders don't dare to nominate him.

PROGRESSIVES PREPARE FOR THEIR CONVENTION

National Committee Meets To-Day to Make Final Arrangements for Gathering.

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The Progressive national committee-men, H. L. Ickes, Illinois, and William Holton Dye, Indiana, to-night issued statements regarding the Progressives' interests.

"Certainly the Progressives will not nominate Justice Hughes without knowing his position on the vital issues of the day," said Mr. Ickes. "The possibility of a joint nomination of Justice Hughes is, therefore, a remote contingency. On the face of the present situation, Justice Hughes is plainly impossible of consideration for the Progressive nomination."

Declaring that Indiana Progressives are for Mr. Roosevelt, "or some one just as good," a man in whom they have implicit confidence, National Committeeman Dye said the Progressives are willing to lay aside their party emblem or some of the things they have fought for "to accomplish their broader patriotic movement."

By RIVAL DELEGATES

Mutual interests of Progressives and Republicans of Oregon was evidenced by exchange of seats between the rival delegates and alternates. The Oregon Progressives, who arrived to-day, have appointed five Progressives as their alternates in the Republican convention hall. The Progressives from Oregon have returned the courtesy by appointing five of the regular Republicans as their alternates in the Progressive meeting.

Seated on the Progressive convention floor as delegates or alternates will be thirty-three women, the largest feminine delegation of twelve coming from Washington.

On Monday Progressive delegations in force will arrive from South Carolina, Georgia, New York, Pennsylvania, Kansas and North Dakota. Among the Progressive leaders who arrived to-day was William Flinn, of Pittsburgh. It was said here to-night that Walter Brown, of Ohio, probably would be decided upon as permanent chairman of the Progressive convention.

The plan suggested last week by George W. Perkins, of New York, that the Progressive convention delay making any nominations until after the Republicans have taken action found favor among Progressive leaders here to-night, and it was thought probable that such an arrangement will be agreed upon.

Gifford Pinchot, of Pennsylvania, a delegate to the Progressive convention, could only see one result in the Republican convention, and that was the nomination of Colonel Roosevelt.

PINCHOT SAYS CONVENTION WILL BE NO GRAB BAG

Asked whether Progressives would support Hughes if named by the Republican convention, Mr. Pinchot said: "For myself, I would not go anywhere for anything without knowing just what it is. I do not think that a national convention should be made a grab bag."

One plan being considered to-night by Progressive leaders is to have the Progressive convention express its intention to nominate Colonel Roosevelt and recess until action is taken by the Republicans. If the Republican convention nominates Justice Hughes, the Progressives, according to the plan, would wait until Colonel Roosevelt's attitude was made known. If Colonel Roosevelt expressed willingness to support Justice Hughes the Progressives should be expected to line up behind him.

Another plan suggested was that if, when the two conventions meet, there is a deadlock over a candidate, both can accept and each would appoint a conference committee to find a more acceptable one to both conventions.

GROWING BELIEF THAT REPUBLICANS WON'T NAME T. R.

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Hughes headquarters here and no one who can speak with authority for him. To meet that condition the Oregon delegates, the first to be instructed for Justice Hughes, to-day issued a call for all Hughes delegates to meet and form an organization to push their man. The men who issued the call, and it was suggested by every member of the Oregon delegation, expect they will be joined by Senator Smoot, of Utah; Governor Whitman, of New York, and

others who are talking for Justice Hughes.

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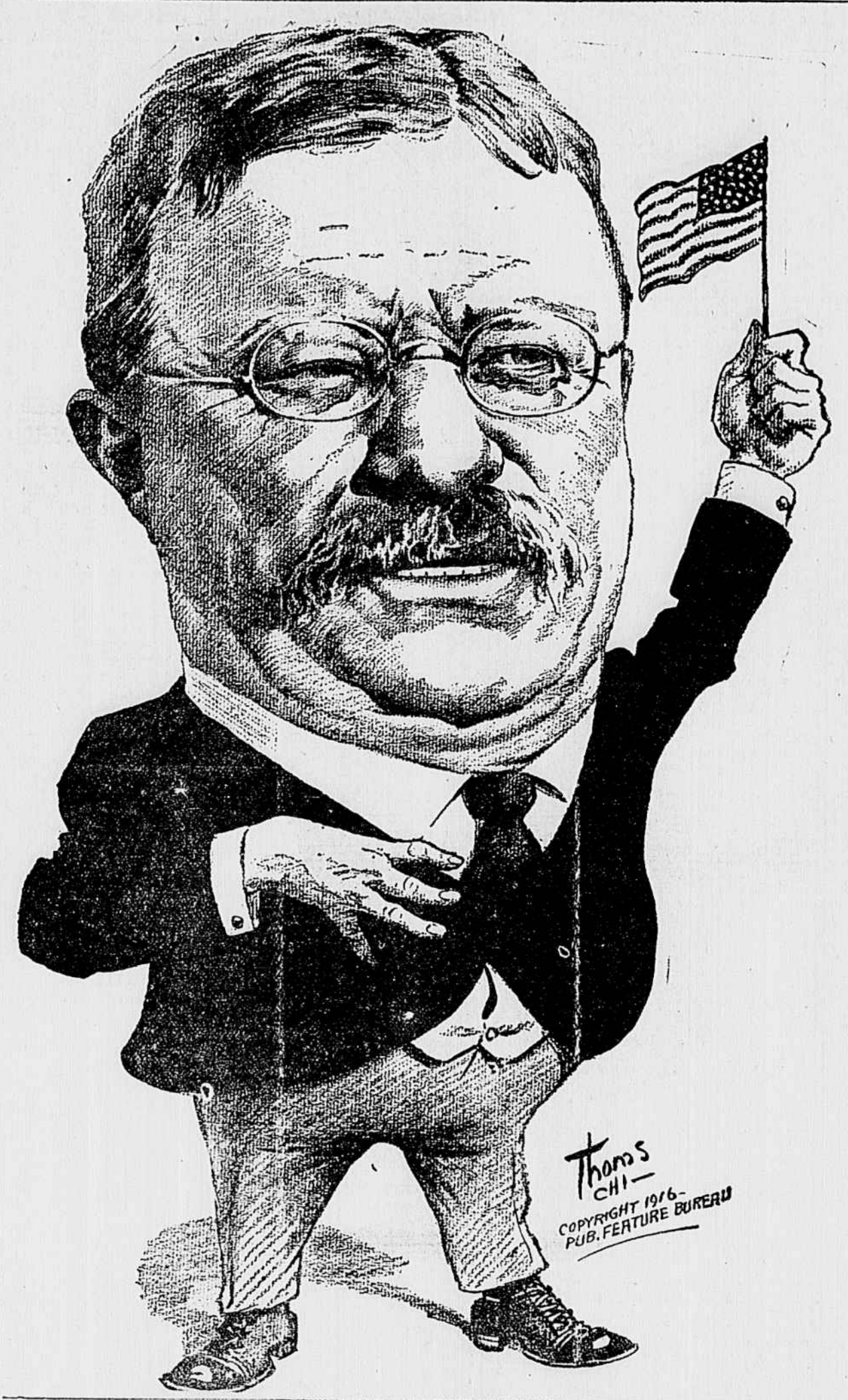
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Movie Calendar

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ODEON—Billie Burke, in "Gloria's Romance," and Richard Travers and Sallie Fisher, in "The Little Shepherd of Bargain Row."

ISIS—Victor Moore and Anita King, in "The Race."

STANDARD—Blanche Sweet, in "The Thousand-Dollar Husband."

HEX—Gertrude McCoy, in "The Isle of Love."

VICTOR—Pearl White, in "The Iron Claw"; Barbara Tennant, in "The Yellow Hound," and Mary Pickford, in "Mary's Morning."

BIJOU—Mae Marsh and Tully Marshall, in "A Child of the Paris Streets," and Roscoe Arbuckle and Mabel Normand, in "Patty and Mabel Adrift."

boast they would bolt any Progressive or Republican ticket which he does not head.

GEORGE VON L. MEYER OPENS ROOSEVELT HEADQUARTERS

George von L. Meyer, organizer of the Progressive men's committee endorsing Colonel Roosevelt, and who headed the delegation which recently visited the Colonel at Oyster Bay and invited him to run, opened headquarters in Colonel Roosevelt's interest to-night. He issued an invitation to all incoming delegates to come and have a conference before deciding how to cast their votes. The Meyer invitation to the delegates declared they were confronted with the opportunity to "heal the wound to the house."

Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., arrived in Chicago to-day with William Loeb, Jr., and mingled with the pre-convention crowds in hotel lobbies. He will attend the convention as the guest of J. Ogden Armour.

"I do not know what the convention is going to do," said Roosevelt to friends to-night, "but the sentiment of the country wherever polls have been taken seems to be for father. The members of the South Carolina delegation will arrive to-morrow and will caucus on Tuesday. This delegation probably will not vote as a unit, it is said."

The Florida delegation will arrive to-morrow and will caucus on Tuesday evening. The delegation comes unopposed, and it is announced that it will vote as a unit for the candidate to be selected at the caucus.

Each faction of the Georgia delegation will hold a caucus, but the time has not been selected in either case. The five members of the Johnson faction announced that their votes on the first ballot will go to Hughes. Eleven members of the Jackson delegation will vote either for Root or Weeks, it is said.

Governor Willis, of Ohio, and a large delegation from Columbus arrived on a special train to-night. Governor Willis will nominate Senator Burton at the convention. The Burton boomers claim 130 votes.

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and will caucus the same evening. W. P. Sheffield, national committeeman, said the sentiment in the State was largely for Hughes, but that the delegates were friendly to Weeks.

The Maryland delegation also will arrive on Tuesday and will caucus as soon after arrival as possible. W. P. Jackson, national committeeman, who is here, said that the delegation is uninstructed and divided between Weeks, Hughes and Roosevelt.

Two of South Dakota's ten delegates arrived to-day. The others and the alternates are due to-morrow. The caucus will be held to-morrow evening. Charles H. Burks, national committeeman, said that the delegation was instructed for Cummings as first choice for the presidency. Second choice, he said, would be about evenly divided between Roosevelt and Hughes.

New Hampshire headquarters will be opened to-morrow when the delegation arrives. There are eight delegates and eight alternates, uninstructed. F. W. Estabrook, the national committeeman, who is here, said that two of the delegates were for Weeks and that the others were undecided.

Fourteen delegates from the State of Washington, with their alternates, arrived to-day. The delegation will caucus to-morrow. The Washington delegates would express a preference for any presidential candidate.

DELEGATION INSTRUCTED FOR SENATOR CUMMINGS

Four of the eight Montana delegates arrived to-day. The State delegation caucus was set for to-morrow, when the rest of the delegates and Thomas A. Marlow, national committeeman, are to arrive. The delegation is instructed for Senator Cummings.

The Oregon delegation of ten delegates and ten alternates registered to-day. The delegation is instructed for Justice Hughes. It was planned to caucus to-morrow morning.

Campaign headquarters will be opened here to-morrow morning for Senator Robert La Follette, when members of the Wisconsin delegation will arrive. The delegation is said to be divided between La Follette, Hughes and Roosevelt.

Senator Kenyon, of Iowa, arrived to-day and took charge of the campaign in behalf of Senator Cummings, who, it was stated, will not attend the convention. Senator Kenyon was chosen chairman of the delegation. Most of the delegates and alternates arrived to-day. Former Congressman N. E. Kendall has been chosen to place Senator Cummings in nomination. Cummings' headquarters will be opened formally on Monday, and the delegation will hold another meeting Monday morning.

The headquarters of Senator Weeks, Massachusetts' favorite candidate, was crowded with visitors, many delegates being in the throng. Senator Weeks' camp in the throng here carrying a majority of the delegates, and the date would be one of the leaders on the first ballot.

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SEEK FOR MATERIAL TO DEFEAT HUGHES

Ardent supporters of Colonel Roosevelt delved into political history to-day to find material with which to combat the Hughes sentiment. A delegation which visited the headquarters of the Roosevelt Republican committee to-day, left a memorandum which set out that in 1905 Mr. Hughes was nominated for Mayor of New York, and that he declined the nomination, and the municipal convention had to be reconvened. If Justice Hughes should be the successful candidate in this week's convention, it was suggested at the Roosevelt headquarters that Justice Hughes might decline the nomination.

Secretary Reynolds, of the Republican National Committee, to-night began distributing convention tickets to delegates, alternates, the press and others.

WHITMAN SAYS HUGHES WILL BE NOMINATED

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Governor Whitman directed the charge for Hughes delegates, and urged the candidacy of Herbert Parsons for national committeeman to succeed William Barnes, as well as his own candidacy for the leadership of the State delegation to the convention. He was flanked by Frank H. Hitchcock, former Postmaster-General, and Frederick A. Tanner, chairman of the New York Republican State Committee.

Elton R. Brown, Republican leader of the Senate, directed the fight for Root. He saw few persons, for the real conferences of the Root adherents were held in the hotel rooms of William Barnes. Mr. Barnes had nothing to say for publication.

An insistent rumor was that Mr. Barnes would carry a persistent fight against Mr. Parsons. Thus far no objection to Governor Whitman heading the delegation has crystallized.

After his arrival Governor Whitman made this statement: "Justice Hughes will have a majority of the delegates from New York State, and there is no doubt that he will be nominated by the convention."

BETA CHAPTER ELECTS PHI KAPPA MEMBERS

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va., June 4.—The Beta chapter of the University of Virginia has elected to membership of the Phi Beta Kappa Society the following:

From the alumni—Rockwell S. Brank, Savannah, Ga.; Lewis A. Coleman, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Henry W. Harper, Austin, Texas; William McC. James, Ancon, Canal Zone; William C. Lancaster, Montreal, Can.; Richard K. Meade, Baltimore, Md.; James S. Miller, Emory and Henry College, Va.; Hopson O. Murfee, Marion, Ala.; Stuart Oliver, Baltimore, Md.; Dr. Presley M. Rixey, Washington, D. C.

From the faculty—Walter Sheldon Rodman.

From the college—Thomas J. Betts, Middlebrook, Va.; Burr Nolan Carter, Orange, Va.; Ernest B. Harper, Danville, Va.; Francis Stuart Harmon, Meridian, Miss.; Reginald Claie Lamb, Franklin, Ky.; Hugh Leach, Richmond, Va.; John L. Smith, Jr., Staunton, Va.; Arthur Kelger, Tobaccoville, N. C.; Ezra Eugene Kell, Chilhowie, Va.; Harry Evans Trimble, Summerton, S. C.

From the graduate school—Robert Edmund Heard, New Hope, Va.; Stuart Grayson Galt, Scottsbluff, Wyo.; James Kerr, Norfolk, Va.; Richard Ellis Smith,